HEY GIRL! DID YOU HEAR THAT?
YOUR MOM DOES GO HERE!

REALLY?
SHE'LL BE BACK SOON
ARE YOU...

...SENA?
SIA (29),
SENA'S MOTHER

DISTORTED

MEMORY

TRUMP
SEASON2

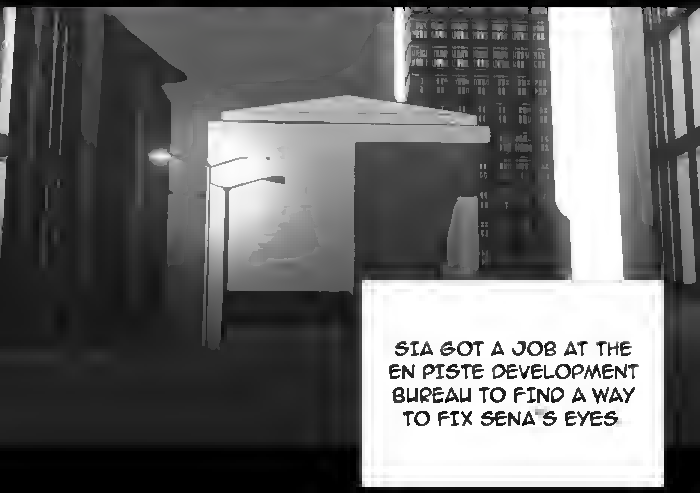
I DON'T KNOW HOW I CAN THANK YOU...

IT WAS REALLY SAD TO WATCH HER CRY EVERY DAY, MISSING HER DAUGHTER.
YOU'RE ALREADY SEVEN. I COULDN'T WATCH YOU GROW...
PICO IS THE PERSON THAT SHOULD BE THANKED...
I'M SO SORRY. WE'LL NEVER BE APART AGAIN.
I LOVE YOU.

SENA...

I WAS WORRIED THAT SHE MIGHT NOT WELCOME SENA.
I FEEL RELEAVED.

7 YEARS AGO.

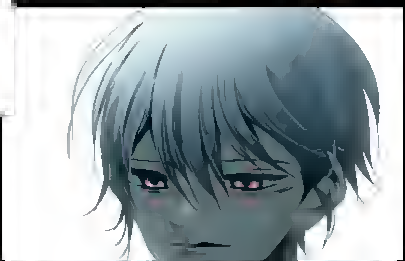

SIA GOT A JOB AT THE EN PISTE DEVELOPMENT BUREAU TO FIND A WAY TO FIX SENA'S EYES.

SIA COULDN'T SPEND MUCH TIME WITH SENA BECAUSE OF WORK.
AND SHE ASKED HER HUSBAND TO TAKE CARE OF SENA FOR A WHILE SO THAT SHE CAN FOCUS ON HER RESEARCH.
BUT SHE DIDN'T GET ALONG WITH HER HUSBAND AND THEY EVENTUALLY DIVORCED.
WITHOUT KNOWING THAT HER HUSBAND DIED OR THAT SENA WAS SENT TO AN ORPHANAGE...

SIA FOCUSED ON RESEARCH, SO THAT SHE CAN BRING SENA BACK FOR TREATMENT

SIA HAD BEEN WORKING HARD TO FIX SENA'S EYES EVEN WHILE SHE LOST CONTACT WITH HER HUSBAND

THAT WAS HER ONLY PURPOSE



I LOOKED AT SIA, WHO CRIED FOR 3 HOURS WHILE SHE WAS SHARING HER STORY.

BUT I FELT NOTHING.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?
I DON'T KNOW
I WANT TO TRAVEL ALONE AND ORGANIZE MY THOUGHTS.
I'M GOING

NOW.
BE CAREFUL NOT TO LOSE HER.
I HAVEN'T THANKED YOU ENOUGH...!
PLEASE LET ME GIVE YOU A CUP OF TEA AT LEAST...!
GRAB
AAARGH..!!
I'M OKAY...!!

WHAT'S WRONG? ARE YOU OKAY?
I'M VERY OKAY. I'M FINE.
YOU DON'T LOOK WELL!!
TINGLE

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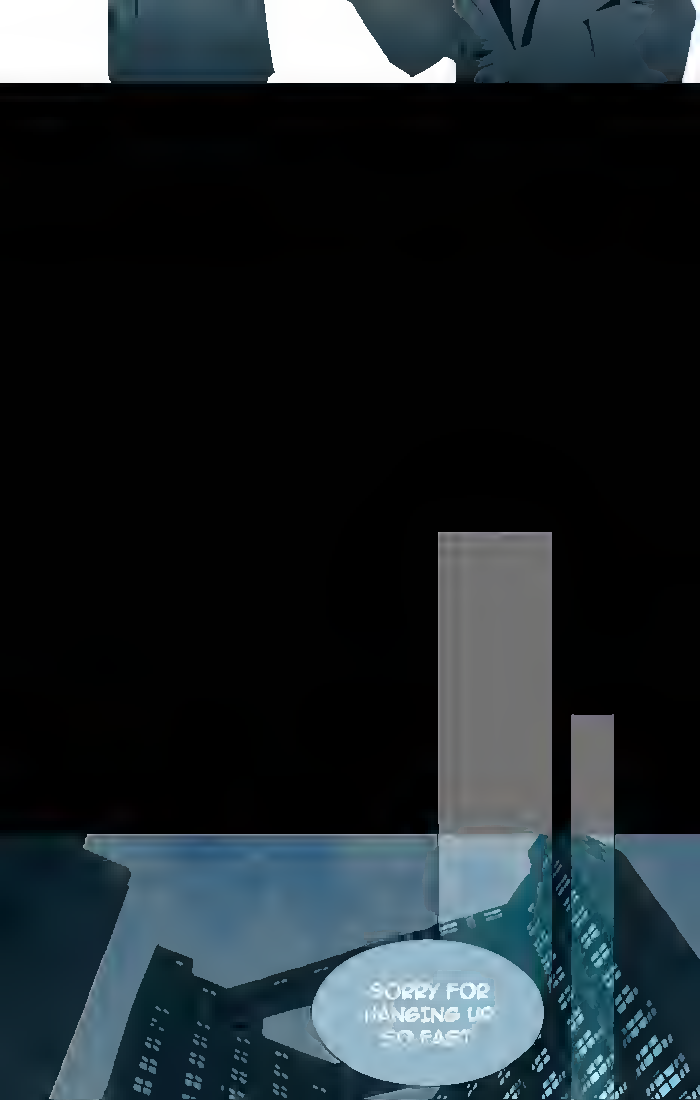
DO I?
THAT'S WEIRD...
MAYBE MY SHOULDER IS ACHING BECAUSE SENA REST HER HEAD ON IT IN THE TRAIN...


SORRY FOR
HANGING UP
SO FAST

SORRY PAN!
IT'S OKAY, SINCE NOTHING BAD WAS HAPPENING.
IMPRESSED!

ACTUALLY, I WAS LOOKING FOR THE LITTLE GIRL'S MOTHER WITH THE BOY
AND WE JUST FOUND HER. ISN'T IT GREAT?
YOU'RE STILL WITH THEM?
I FELT TOO BAD FOR THE BOY TO JUST LEAVE HIM ALONE
HIS FATHER WAS TRYING TO KILL HIM!
WHAT A

PSYCHO.
AS IF YOU'RE NOT A PSYCHO, RAN.
..RAN, BE NICE.
HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.
NOD
I DON'T MEAN IT.
OPEN YOUR EYES PROPERLY!!

39.6?
THIS IS BAD.

YOUR WOUND

WAS ALL OPEN AND YOUR BODY IS BURNING.
IT WAS LUCKY THAT I KEPT YOU HERE. YOU WOULDN'T HAVE SEEN A DOCTOR YOURSELF.
WELL...
GET SOME REST HERE FOR A FEW DAYS.
WANNA TRY? THIS IS GOOD FOR PEOPLE WHO LOST A LOT OF BLOOD.

THANK YOU.
THIS IS A COLLECTION OF BLOOD EXTRACTED FROM MOSQUITOES.
DON'T MAKE UP WEIRD LIES!!
DROOP
IT WAS JUST JUICE.

SIA WILL HELP US TOUR AROUND WEST DANIA.
WANNA COME ALONG?
I'M GOING TO REST A BIT AND LEAVE SOON

WHY?
WHAT IS YOUR

WOUNDS GET INFECTION AGAIN?
WHAT IF I FOLLOW YOU...
...AND YOU BECOME MY FATHER'S TARGET?

I'LL PROTECT YOU FOR ABOUT A MONTH UNTIL YOU FULLY RECOVER.
I'M NOT KIDDING!
GO ON AND CONTINUE WITH YOUR TRAVEL!
HAHA..
PROTECTING YOU IS AN UNEXPECTED PLAN..

BUT IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT I'M STILL TRAVELING.
YOU'RE LIKE A GEM THAT SHINES WHEREVER YOU ARE. SO JUST BE WHEREVER YOU WANT.
CONFUSED
WHAT?

I'M SAYING, JUST DO AS YOU WISH.
I KNOW YOU WANT TO JUST BE A CHILD AND WHINE.
I CAN'T.
MY FATHER WILL COME AND FIND ME IF HE KNOWS THAT

I'M STILL ALIVE.

FAMILY DOESN'T MATTER HERE. ONE WHO BETRAYS EFTICHIA IS JUST A TRAITOR.

MY FATHER WILL NEVER KNOW WHAT I'VE BEEN THINKING, GROWING UP.

I THOUGHT I COULD HANDLE THAT DISGUSTING VERS RITUAL SINCE THAT'S WHAT MY FATHER WANTED

I THOUGHT I COULD LIVE AS MY FATHER WANTED EVEN IF IT'S DIFFERENT FROM THE FUTURE I WANT.

BECAUSE ALTHOUGH HE MAY BE DIFFERENT, HE'S MY FAMILY.

THAT WHAT I THOUGHT

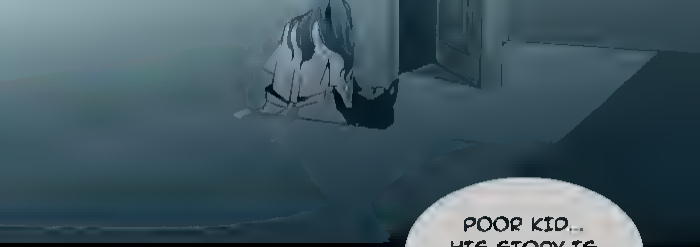
EVERY TIME FATHER HIT ME...
EVERY TIME HE KICKED ME OUT OF THE HOUSE... I TRIED HARDER. BUT I

GUESS HE HAD SOMETHING DIFFERENT IN MIND

INSTEAD OF KICKING AT ME, HE COULD HAVE HANDED ME A TOWEL WHEN I CAME BACK HOME, SOAKED IN THE RAIN..

HE COULD HAVE TOLD ME THAT IT'S OKAY TO MESS UP IN TEST SOMETIMES

THAT'S ALL...
...I WANTED
AH...



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